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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT NO. P 844 174 702

United States Environmental Protection Agency Region Five 230 S. Dearborn Street Chicago, IL 60604

Re: Great Lakes Asphalt Site

Dear Madam/Sir:

We represent (Hurco Companies, Inc. On behalf of Hurco Companies, Inc., on September 10, 1991, we received your September 4, 1991, letter concerning the Great Lakes Asphalt Site. In response to the September 4 letter, Hurco Companies, Inc., is a premium settler at the Enviro-Chem site and understands that its committee, the ECC Steering Committee co-chaired by Norman W. Bernstein, has or will contact the EPA to request additional information concerning the Great Lakes Asphalt Site and pursue the subject of settlement.

Through the ECC Steering Committee, Hurco is interested in concluding a settlement agreement. In the event the ECC Steering Committee is unable to conclude such an agreement, we understand from your letter that the EPA will contact us in a effort to perhaps form another group, and if that fails, will contact us individually to discuss settlement.

If you should have questions about this letter, or if we could be of additional assistance, please advise the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Philip #/ Ripani

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cc: Hurco Companies, Inc.